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1. claims: 1-8, 12-19, 23-30

Method, system and base station for analysing the history of changes in received packets.

2. claims: 9-11, 20-22 and 31-33

Method, system and base station for validating the correctness of a no-packet indication on a control channel.

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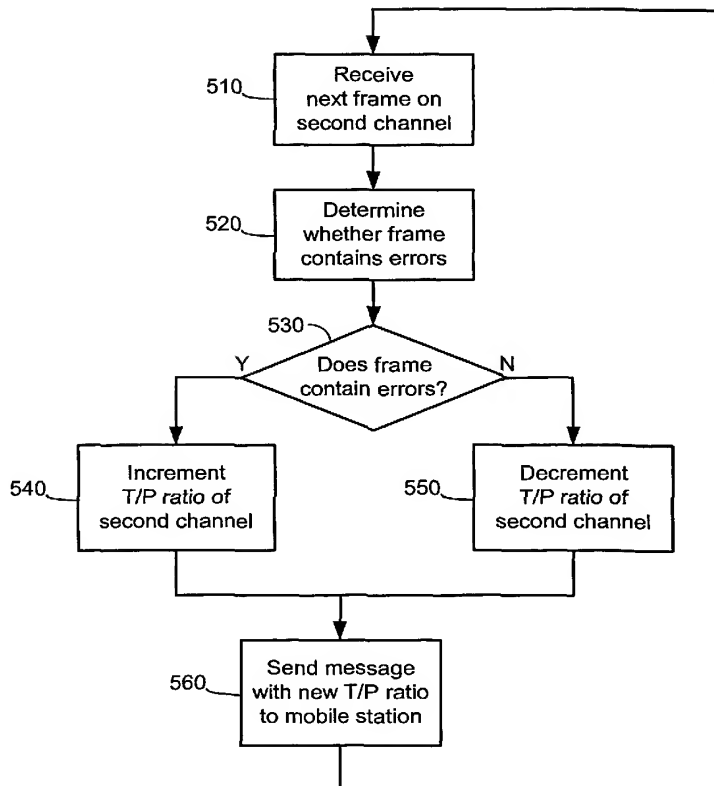
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(54) Title: OUTER-LOOP POWER CONTROL FOR WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS



(57) Abstract: Systems and methods for controlling power in a wireless communication system having multiple reverse-link channels. One embodiment comprises adjusting power levels of a first set of channels and a corresponding pilot channel while maintaining a set traffic-to-pilot (T/P) ratio between them, and adjusting T/P ratios for one or more remaining channels independently of the power level of the pilot channel. A base station determines whether frames received on the first set of channels contain errors and sends messages to a mobile station to increment or decrement the power levels, respectively, if the frames do or do not contain errors. T/P ratios of the additional channels are adjusted by determining whether frames received on the additional channels contain errors, incrementing or decrementing the T/P ratios appropriately, and transmitting the T/P ratios to the mobile station, which controls the transmission parameters for the respective channels in accordance with the received T/P ratios.

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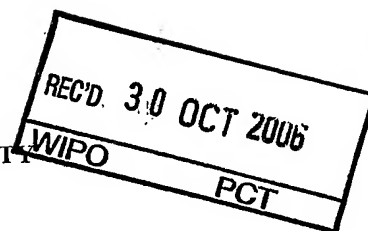
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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **language**, this report is based on:

- ☒ the international application in the language in which it was filed.
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- ☐ international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))
- ☐ publication of the international application (under Rule 12.4(a))
- ☐ international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2(a) and/or 55.3(a))

2. With regard to the **elements** of the international application, this report is based on (*replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report*):

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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims <u>NONE</u>	YES
	Claims <u>1-41</u>	NO
Inventive Step (IS)	Claims <u>NONE</u>	YES
	Claims <u>1-41</u>	NO
Industrial Applicability (IA)	Claims <u>1-41</u>	YES
	Claims <u>NONE</u>	NO

2. Citations and Explanations (Rule 70.7) Please See Continuation Sheet

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V. 2. Citations and Explanations:

Claims 1-41 lacks novelty under PCT Article 33(2) as being anticipated by Sarkar (Sarkar et al. "cdma2000 Reverse Link", 200 IEEE, Vol. 6, 24 September 2000. XP-02300880).

Regarding claim 1, Sarkar discloses a method for controlling power in a wireless communication system having multiple reverse-link communication channels, the method comprising: adjusting power levels of a first set of channels and a corresponding pilot channel; and adjusting traffic-to-pilot (T/P) ratios for one or more remaining channels independently of the power level of the pilot channel.

Regarding claim 2, Sarkar discloses further comprising maintaining ratios of the power levels of the first set of channels and the pilot channel while adjusting the power levels of the first set of channels and the pilot channel.

Regarding claim 3, Sarkar discloses wherein the first set of channels comprises a single channel, wherein adjusting the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel comprises determining whether data received on the single channel contains errors and, if the data received on the single channel contains errors, incrementing the power levels of the single channel and the corresponding pilot channel and, if the data received on the single channel does not contain errors, decrementing the power levels of the single channel and the corresponding pilot channel.

Regarding claim 4, Sarkar discloses wherein determining whether the data received on the single channel contains errors is performed by a base station, wherein the method further comprises the base station sending a message to a mobile station to increment or decrement the power levels of the single channel and the corresponding pilot channel.

Regarding claim 5, Sarkar discloses wherein incrementing the power levels of the single channel and the corresponding pilot channel is performed by the mobile station in response to the message.

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Regarding claim 6, Sarkar discloses wherein the single channel comprises a voice channel.

Regarding claim 7, Sarkar discloses wherein the first set of channels comprises multiple channels, wherein adjusting the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel comprises determining for each channel in the first set whether data received on the single channel contains errors and determining a composite adjustment of the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel based on errors received on the multiple channels.

Regarding claim 8, Sarkar discloses wherein determining the composite adjustment of the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel comprises: for each channel in the first set, determining whether data received on the channel contains errors, if the data received on the channel contains errors, determining a corresponding incremental power level adjustment, and if the data received on the single channel does not contain errors, determining a corresponding decremental power level adjustment; and computing the composite adjustment as a function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set.

Regarding claim 9, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the maximum incremental power level adjustment and all of the decremental power level adjustments.

Regarding claim 10, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the maximum incremental power level adjustment to the minimum decremental power level adjustment.

Regarding claim 11, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the minimum incremental power level adjustment to the maximum decremental power level adjustment.

Regarding claim 12, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments is constrained to a limited number of quantized levels.

Regarding claim 13, Sarkar discloses wherein adjusting the T/P ratios for each of the one or more remaining channels comprises determining whether data received on the channel contains errors and, if the data received on the channel contains errors, incrementing the T/P ratio for the channel and, if the data received on the channel does not contain errors, decrementing the T/P ratio for the channel.

Regarding claim 14, Sarkar discloses wherein determining whether the data received on the channel contains errors and incrementing or decrementing the T/P ratio for the channel is performed by a base station, wherein the method further comprises the base station sending a message to a mobile station indicating the T/P ratio for the channel.

Regarding claim 15, Sarkar discloses the mobile station receiving the message and selecting transmission characteristics for the channel in accordance with the T/P ratio for the channel.

Regarding claim 16, Sarkar discloses a system for controlling power in a wireless communication system having multiple reverse-link communication channels, comprising: a base station; and a mobile station coupled to the base station via a wireless communication link; wherein the base station is configured to receive data from the mobile station on a plurality of reverse-link channels on the wireless communication link; and wherein the base station is configured to adjust a power level for a first set of reverse-link channels and a power level for a pilot channel, and to adjust a traffic-to-power (T/P) ratio for each of one or more additional reverse-link channels.

Regarding claim 17, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to adjust the power levels for the first set of reverse-link channels and the pilot channel to maintain ratios of the power levels for the first set of reverse-link channels to the power level of the pilot channel.

Regarding claim 18, Sarkar discloses wherein the first set of channels comprises a single channel and wherein the base station is configured to determine whether data received on the single reverse-link channel contains errors and, if the data received on the single reverse-link channel contains errors, to cause the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel to be incremented and, if the data received on the single reverse-link channel does not contain errors, to cause the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel to be decremented.

Regarding claim 19, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to cause the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel to be incremented or decremented by sending corresponding messages to the mobile station.

Regarding claim 20, Sarkar discloses wherein the mobile station is configured to increment or decrement the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel in accordance with the messages.

Regarding claim 21, Sarkar discloses wherein the first set of channels comprises multiple channels, wherein the system is configured to adjust the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel by determining for each channel in the first set whether data received on the single channel contains errors and determining a composite adjustment of the power levels of the first set of

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channels and the corresponding pilot channel based on errors received on the multiple channels.

Regarding claim 22, Sarkar discloses wherein the system is configured to determine the composite adjustment of the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel by: for each channel in the first set, determining whether data received on the channel contains errors, if the data received on the channel contains errors, determining a corresponding incremental power level adjustment, and if the data received on the single channel does not contain errors, determining a corresponding decremental power level adjustment; and computing the composite adjustment as a function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set.

Regarding claim 23, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the maximum incremental power level adjustment and all of the decremental power level adjustments.

Regarding claim 24, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the maximum incremental power level adjustment to the minimum decremental power level adjustment.

Regarding claim 25, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the minimum incremental power level adjustment to the maximum decremental power level adjustment.

Regarding claim 26, Sarkar discloses the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments is constrained to a limited number of quantized levels.

Regarding claim 27, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to determine whether data received on each additional reverse-link channel contains errors and, if the data received on the additional reverse-link channel contains errors, incrementing the T/P ratio of the additional reverse-link channel and, if the data received on the additional reverse-link channel does not contain errors, decrementing the T/P ratio of the additional reverse-link channel.

Regarding claim 28, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to send messages indicating the incremented or decremented T/P ratio of the additional reverse-link channel to the mobile station.

Regarding claim 29, Sarkar discloses wherein the mobile station is configured to set a power level of the additional reverse-link channel in accordance with the messages.

Regarding claim 30, Sarkar discloses a base station operable to communicate with a mobile station via a wireless communication channel, wherein the base station comprises: a processing subsystem; and a transceiver subsystem coupled to the processing subsystem; wherein the transceiver subsystem is configured to receive signals on a first set of reverse-link channels, a pilot channel and one or more additional reverse-link channels; and wherein the base station is configured to adjust power levels for the first set of reverse-link channels and a power level for the pilot channel, and to adjust a traffic-to-power (T/P) ratio for each of the one or more additional reverse-link channels.

Regarding claim 31, Sarkar discloses wherein the first set of reverse-link channels comprises a single reverse-link channel, wherein the base station is configured to adjust the power levels for the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel to maintain a ratio of the power level for the single reverse-link channel to the power level of the pilot channel.

Regarding claim 32, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to determine whether data received on the single reverse-link channel contains errors and, if the data received on the single reverse-link channel contains errors, to cause the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel to be incremented and, if the data received on the single reverse-link channel does not contain errors, to cause the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel to be decremented.

Regarding claim 33, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to cause the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel to be incremented or decremented by sending corresponding messages to a mobile station which is configured to increment or decrement the power levels of the single reverse-link channel and the pilot channel in accordance with the messages.

Regarding claim 34, Sarkar discloses wherein the first set of channels comprises multiple channels, wherein the base station is configured to adjust the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel by determining for each channel in the first set whether data received on the single channel contains errors and determining a composite adjustment of the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel based on errors received on the multiple channels.

Regarding claim 35, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to determine the composite adjustment of the power levels of the first set of channels and the corresponding pilot channel by: for each channel in the first set, determining whether data received on the channel contains errors, if the data received on the channel contains errors, determining a corresponding incremental power level adjustment, and if the data received on the single channel does not contain errors, determining a corresponding decremental power level adjustment; and computing the composite adjustment as a function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set.

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Regarding claim 36, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the maximum incremental power level adjustment and all of the decremental power level adjustments.

Regarding claim 37, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the maximum incremental power level adjustment to the minimum decremental power level adjustment.

Regarding claim 38, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments for the channels in the first set comprises adding the minimum incremental power level adjustment to the maximum decremental power level adjustment.

Regarding claim 39, Sarkar discloses wherein the function of the incremental and decremental power level adjustments is constrained to a limited number of quantized levels.

Regarding claim 40, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to determine whether data received on each additional reverse-link channel contains errors and, if the data received on the additional reverse-link channel contains errors, incrementing the T/P ratio of the additional reverse-link channel and, if the data received on the additional reverse-link channel does not contain errors, decrementing the T/P ratio of the additional reverse-link channel.

Regarding claim 41, Sarkar discloses wherein the base station is configured to send messages indicating the incremented or decremented T/P ratio of the additional reverse-link channel to a mobile station which is configured to set a power level of the additional reverse-link channel in accordance with the messages.

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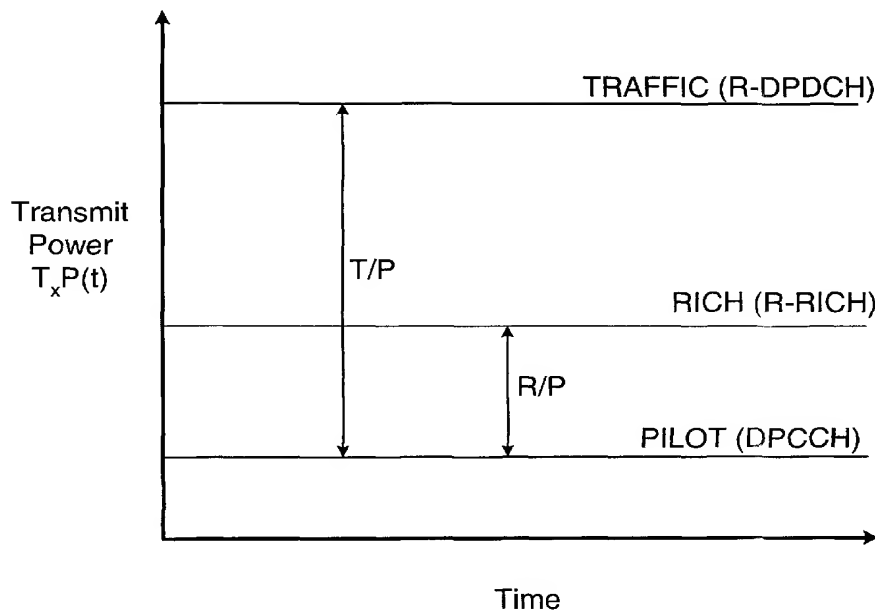
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